



# Washington Communities for Children

## An Early Childhood Network

Early Learning Advisory Council (ELAC)  
February 7, 2023 | 12:00 – 12:30pm

# Who We Are

A network of coalitions, organizations, and individuals who have come together around a shared goal; **improving child and family wellbeing.**

10 regions across Washington make up the network.

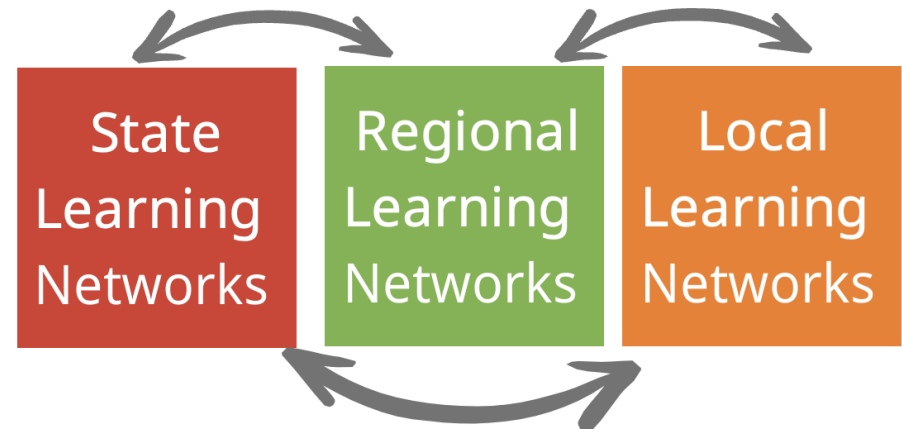




## How We Work

WCFC is organized around seven Learning Networks.

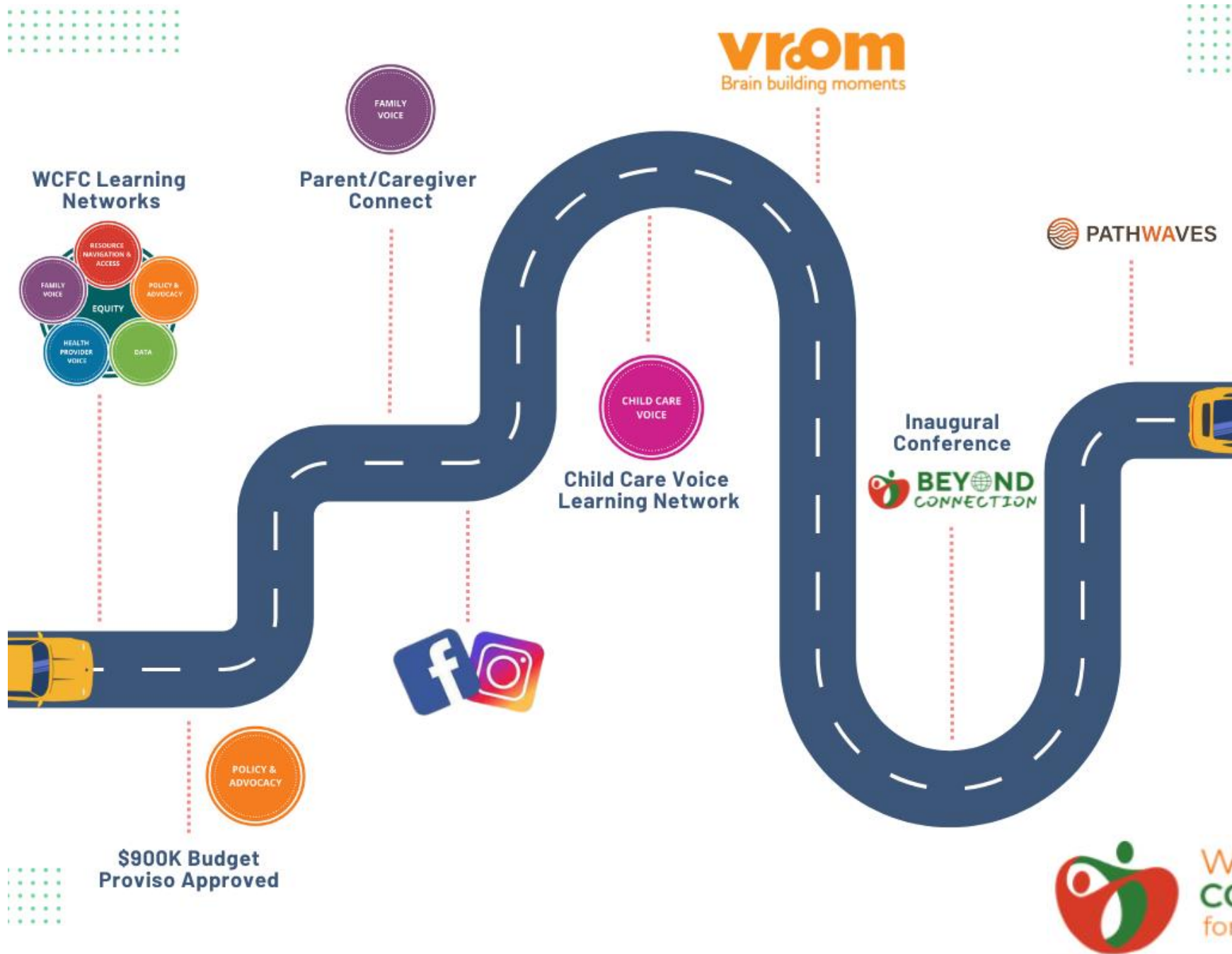
These statewide networks meet regularly to build relationships, learn together, identify challenges, and test ideas.







# 2022 ROADMAP



# 2023 WA State Legislative Session

## WCFC Legislative Request



**\$3.6 million to sustain the WCFC infrastructure across Washington state**



**90% of the dollars invested in WCFC pay for people to fill network roles across Washington**



**Over 100 organizations are represented across 132 state and regional leadership roles**



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# Connect with Your Region



## **Inland Northwest Early Learning Alliance**

Counties served: Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Lincoln, Spokane, Adams, and Whitman

## **Investing in Children Coalition**

Counties served: Kittitas and Yakima

## **King County Early Learning Coalition**

County served: King

## **North Central Early Learning Collaborative**

Counties served: Okanogan, Chelan, Douglas, and Grant

## **Northwest Early Learning Coalition**

Counties served: San Juan, Island, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom

## **Peninsulas Early Childhood Coalition**

Counties served: Kitsap, Jefferson, and Clallam

## **Pierce County Early Childhood Network**

County served: Pierce

## **Southwest Washington Early Learning Coalition**

Counties served: Wahkiakum, Cowlitz, Clark, Skamania, Klickitat, and south Pacific

## **Southeast Early Learning Coalition**

Counties served: Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin

## **Visions for Early Learning**

Counties served: Grays Harbor, Mason, Thurston, Lewis, Pacific, and north Pacific

# Join a Learning Network



## All Learning Network Meetings

- Visit: [washingtoncfc.org/learning-networks](https://washingtoncfc.org/learning-networks) to learn more
- May – Early Learning Coordination Plan (ELCP)
- October – TBD



# Child Care Voice Learning Network



**Purpose:** The Child Care Voice Learning Network is a collaboration of early learning providers representing all settings, programs, and models in our state's mixed-delivery system. They engage in self-directed conversations around early learning, the children and families of their communities, and the industry's workforce.

**Meeting:** First Thursdays | 6:00 to 7:30 pm

*\*simultaneous Spanish translation*

# Data Learning Network



**Purpose:** The statewide Data Learning Network is focused on assessing existing data to inform continuous early childhood resource system improvement and exploring opportunities for alignment across data systems.

**Meeting:** Fourth Mondays | 11:00am to 12:15pm

# Equity Learning Network



**Purpose:** The statewide Equity Learning Network is focused on identifying and implementing frameworks, tools, and strategies to embed equity in the WCFC network and early childhood resource system.

**Meeting:** 2023 calendar TBD

# Family Voice Learning Network



**Purpose:** The statewide Family Voice Learning Network is focused on promoting strategies to connect families with young children to the resources they need, when they need them. The network is committed to emphasizing family and community voice in system co-design efforts, especially of those most impacted by system inequities.

**Meeting:** Third Wednesdays | 10:00 to 11:30am



# Health Provider Voice Learning Network



**Purpose:** The statewide Health Provider Voice Learning Network co-designs strategies to connect child and family health providers with one another and the community, to strengthen referral pathways, and remove barriers for families accessing services. The network works to advance and support systems change and policy change as it relates to supporting all families in healthcare settings.

**Meeting:** Fourth Wednesdays | 3:00 to 4:15 pm

# Policy & Advocacy Learning Network



**Purpose:** The statewide Policy & Advocacy Learning Network is focused on identifying and advocating for resources and policies that improve the wellbeing of children, families and communities.

**Meeting:** Third Friday of every odd month | 10:30am to 12:00 pm

# Resource Navigation & Access Learning Network



**Purpose:** The statewide Resource Navigation & Access Learning Network is focused on informing a more cohesive statewide system of resources for children, their families, and organizations, collaborating to improve resource navigation and remove barriers for families.

**Meeting:** First Fridays | 11am to 12:00pm



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